

REMARKS

Presently, claims 29-33, 35-45, 48, 50-52, 54-58, 60, 61, 63-100 and 102-106 are pending with claims 29, 44, 45, 52, 100, 102, 103, 104, and 106 being in independent form. Applicants have amended claims 29-43, 63, 100, and 103.

Applicants thank the Examiner for his indication that claims 45, 48, 50-52, 54-58, 60, 61, 65, 102, and 104-106 are allowed and that claims 37-43 and 77-99 would be allowed if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Applicants have amended claim 63 to address the Examiner's objection to claims 63 and 64. As amended, claim 63 depends from 52 which has been allowed. Accordingly, applicants believe that claims 63 and 64 are in condition for allowance.

The Office Action rejected independent claims 29, 44, 100, and 103 under 35 U.S.C. §102 as being allegedly anticipated by Gamo (U.S. Patent No. 5,844,348). As amended, claims 29, 100, and 103 are directed to ink jet printing modules and claim 44 is directed to methods of manufacturing an ink jet printing module. Gamo, on the other hand, discloses a "structure for and method of manufacturing a piezoelectric resonant part such as a chip type ceramic filter" (Gamo, col. 1, lines 6-9). Nowhere does Gamo disclose or suggest ink jet printing modules or methods for making ink jet printing modules. Accordingly, applicants submit that Gamo does not anticipate claims 29, 44, 100, 103. Applicants therefore ask that the rejection of these claims be withdrawn.

All other rejected or objected to claims depend from claims 29, 44, 100, or 103 or from claims that depend from claims 29, 44, 100, or 103. Therefore these claims should be allowable for at least those reasons set forth above with respect to claims 29, 44, 100, or 103.

Accordingly, applicants believe that all claims are in condition for allowance, which action is requested.

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